3.0 ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED ACTION

Alternatives to the proposed action are discussed, but not analyzed fully, in the following sections.

3.1 NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE

The no action alternative to the proposed action is discussed for each proposed project.

3.1.1 Emergency Vehicle Operations Course

The no action alternative would mean that the EVOC would not be built at HAMMER.

3.1.2 National Utility Training Services Site

The no action alternative would mean that the NUTS site would not be expanded beyond the current size of 40 acres (16.2 hectares).

3.1.3 Areas Reserved for Future Development

The no action alternative would result in these areas remaining undeveloped and not specified for future expansion.

3.2 OTHER ALTERNATIVES

Other alternatives to the proposed action are described in the following sections.

3.2.1 Emergency Vehicle Operation Course

Relocation of the EVOC to another location was considered. The type of location feasible for the EVOC could be an unused parking lot located off the Hanford Site.

3.2.2 National Utility Training Services Site

The use of existing training facilities or other locations for the NUTS Facility were considered. A training facility at Camp Rilea near Aberdeen, Oregon, is located on 5 acres. The primary use of Camp Rilea is as a National Guard Camp and the utility training is considered a secondary use. Available land near the I-5 corridor was also considered, as was land near the HAMMER Facility that is zoned for an industrial park.

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